Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe's Program Authorization Application to Administer the Clean Water Act Section 303 - Water Quality Standards & Section 401- Certification Programs

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The purpose of this notice is to inform you that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is granting a request from the State of Nevada's Division of Environmental Protection for a 30-day extension of the comment period to submit comments on EPA's Proposed Findings of Fact (PFOF) for the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe's Application for treatment in a similar manner as State under Section 518 of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA) for the purpose of administering the Water Quality Standards and Certification Programs under Sections 303 and 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA).

A previous notice, which was published in the Reno Gazette-Journal on August 11, 2006, requested comments on the PFOF from "all appropriate governmental entities," which includes states, tribes and other federal entities located contiguous to the reservation of the tribe which is applying to be treated in a similar manner as a state (TAS). As a result of EPA's granting of this extension, appropriate governmental entities will have 30 days from the day this notice is published to provide comments on the PFOF.

Members of the public who may have relevant information regarding EPA's Proposed Findings of Fact are asked to provide that information to an "appropriate governmental entity" for consideration at the following addresses:

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A copy of EPA's Proposed Findings of Fact, maps of the lands included within the Tribe's jurisdiction for water quality standards and the supporting documentation may be requested from or reviewed by appointment at the offices of the Water Division, EPA Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. For further information or to make an appointment, please contact: Wendell Smith, EPA Region 9 at telephone number: (415) 972-3421.